

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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IN RE VITAMINS ANTITRUST LITIGATION:
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This filing relates to: : Misc. No. 99-197 (TFH);
: MDL No. 1285
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SECOND CONSOLIDATED CLASS ACTION :
COMPLAINT RELATING TO CHOLINE :
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STIPULATION EXTENDING TIME OF AKZO NOBEL
N.V. TO RESPOND TO THE SECOND CONSOLIDATED
AMENDED CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between
counsel for plaintiffs and counsel for defendant Akzo Nobel
N.V., that the time for defendant Akzo Nobel N.V. to move,
answer or otherwise respond to the Second Consolidated Amended
Class Action Complaint herein is extended to and including the
day thirty (30) days after the day the Court's decision of the
motions described below is entered on the Civil Docket for the
captioned matter. The motions are those made by F. Hoffmann-La
Roche Ltd. and BASF AG in Cargill, Inc., et al. v. F. Hoffmann-

LaRoche Ltd., et al., Civil Action No. 99 C 5167 (N.D. Ill.),
to dismiss the complaint based on lack of personal
jurisdiction, limited to the issue of whether personal
jurisdiction should be determined on the basis of a defendant's
local contacts with the transferor forum or its national
contacts with the United States as a whole, scheduled to be
argued on March 16, 2000, together with any other motions to
dismiss that are argued at the same time and that raise the
same issue. The execution of this Stipulation on behalf of
Akzo Nobel N.V. shall be without prejudice to any defenses it
may have, including, without limitation, lack of personal
jurisdiction, improper venue, and insufficiency of service of
process.

Dated: New York, New York
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SO ORDERED:

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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